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DEMOCRACY VS. FREE SILVER

Why Free Coinage of Silver Cannot Be Secured Through the Democratic Party.

RECORDS, FACTS, OPINIONS,

Which Show the Falsity and Hypocrisy of Democratic Professions and Platitudes—The Views of the People on the Question of the Day—What They Know and What They Think.

[Under this head will be presented communications competing for the cash prizes announced elsewhere for the best articles on "Why the Free and Unlimited Coinage of Silver Cannot Be Obtained Through the Democratic Party."]

The Forty-ninth Congress was divided politically as follows: In the House 182 Democrats, 149 Republicans, 2 Nationalists and 1 vacant, giving the Democrats a majority of 42. During this Congress a bill for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 was introduced, and was killed by Democratic votes.

The Fifty-fifth Congress was divided politically as follows: 170 Democrats, 151 Republicans, Democratic majority. No free coinage bill was introduced. In the Fifty-sixth Congress the Republicans had a majority in the House of 17, and a majority in the Senate of 10. No free coinage bill was introduced.

The Fifty-seventh Congress was divided politically as follows: 235 Democrats, 88 Republicans and 15 Alliance members, giving the Democrats a majority over the Republicans of 177. On March 21, 1892, a bill for the free coinage of silver was introduced, and was killed by Democratic votes.

The Fifty-eighth Congress was divided politically as follows: 148 majority. On July 13, 1892, this same Democratic Congress with a majority of 147, killed another bill for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, after it passed the House by a vote of 171 to 159.

The Fifty-ninth Congress was divided politically as follows: 218 Democrats, 127 Republicans and 13 Populists, a Democratic majority of 91. This Congress called an extra session, and defeated a bill for the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1.

On a two-third vote, the 11 Populists voting for the bill, there were 217 Democrats in the House. When the vote was taken 101 voted for the bill, and 116 voted against it.

This same Fifty-third Congress of 91 majority voted on five separate bills in one day for the free coinage of silver, viz.: at a ratio of 16 to 1, 17 to 1, 18 to 1, 19 to 1 and 20 to 1. Thus it will be seen that five bills for the free coinage of silver were killed in a day.

WERE KILLED IN A DAY by the Democrats. They voted down every bill for free coinage of silver, and voted for a single gold standard.

On November 1, 1893, the Fifty-third Congress, with its 91 majority, defeated a bill for the free coinage of silver, which amendment provided for the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1.

ON OCTOBER 27, 1893, the Senate, with a Democratic majority of THREE, defeated Senator Stewart's amendment to a bill for the free coinage of silver.

In 1892 the Democratic Party held State conventions in thirty-six States. In twenty-three of these States the Democratic party declared in their platforms for the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. But when these Democrats, who were elected on these free silver platforms, got to Congress,

THEY FORGOT THEIR PLATFORMS and voted contrary to what they had promised the people in the campaign. Again, we turn to Mr. Cleveland's letter of February 10, 1891, to Mr. Anderson, inviting Mr. Cleveland to attend a meeting of the business men of the city of New York.

The meeting was held for the purpose of voicing the position of the city on the free coinage of silver in the United States. Mr. Cleveland said, in answer to Mr. Anderson, "I cannot be necessary for me to make a formal expression of my agreement with those who believe that the greatest peril would be invited by the scheme."

ADOPTION OF THE SCHEM embodied in the measure now pending in Congress for the unlimited coinage of silver at our mints.

Mr. Cleveland says "it cannot be necessary to make a formal expression of my agreement." What agreement? An agreement that no free silver bill shall ever come.

THROUGH THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. Every one who reads the Democratic papers after Mr. Cleveland wrote that letter denounces "Mr. Cleveland's" policy. But when the Democratic convention met in Chicago on June 21, 1892, Mr. Cleveland was nominated and elected President. Had he been so loud in their denunciations against Mr. Cleveland.

FELL INTO LINE, as they were forced to do, and said and did all in their power for his election.

11. What do the Democratic conventions of Kentucky, Ohio and Maryland indicate? They have declared against the free coinage of silver, and in favor of a gold standard.

12. Hoke Smith, John G. Carlisle, Dan Voorhees, Matt. Harrison and Senator Gorman were loud in their denunciation for the free coinage of silver in the campaign of 1892. But now they are under the

DOMINATION OF MR. CLEVELAND, and they are no longer for free silver, but are loud for a gold standard. These are stunts that point the direction the wind blows.

13. All who attended the silver convention called by the Democrats to meet in Raleigh in the 28th of September, 1895, can but remember the actions of Ex-Governor Jarvis, S. A. Ashe, and others. Think of the remarks they made in the caucus in the mayor's office on the 24th. They

THEY DID NOT APPEAR THE NEXT MORNING. They did not appear at the convention. What does this mean? Were they in the call for the convention? We think E. C. Smith, Mr. Beckwith and Mr. Keith were sincere in the call. The facts before us now in the actions of the Democratic party, we see very clearly that we cannot procure the free coinage of silver through the Democratic party.

JOHN BRADY.

THE TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE.

Some Comments on the Views of Justice Walter Clark, of the North Carolina State Supreme Court, on the Government Ownership of these Institutions.

The question of Government ownership of the telegraph and telephone is a subject of the greatest importance to the people of the country. It is a subject which has been discussed for many years, and which has attracted the attention of the able and convincing argument in the latest number of the "American Law Review," from the pen of Judge Walter Clark, a member of the Supreme Court of North Carolina. The conclusion of the jurist that it is the duty of the Government to take up and control the telegraph and telephone service of the United States is supported by legal and business considerations of overwhelming importance.

So far from sharing in the doubts of corporation lawyers in regard to the constitutional power of the Government to regulate the telegraph and telephone, Judge Clark asserts the strong doctrine that "it is unconstitutional for this essential branch of the postal system to be controlled by private monopoly, in any other manner than the Government."

This proposition is supported with the force of logic and the weight of the law, and backed by history. The Constitution placed the postoffice in the hands of the Government. The Supreme Court has declared that the postoffice is a part of the postal service, and that it is the duty of the Government to see that it is operated in the most efficient manner possible.

The telegraph and telephone are, in every respect, the equivalent of the postoffice. They are the means of communication between the people, and they are the means of commerce. They are the lifeblood of the nation, and they are the lifeblood of the world.

There is no question that the Government offers a more efficient postal service than any private company. There is no question that the Government offers a more efficient telegraph and telephone service than any private company. There is no question that the Government offers a more efficient postal service than any private company.

The Army and Navy and the Department of Justice are departments of exclusive governmental functions. In the same manner, the telegraph and telephone are departments of exclusive governmental functions. They are the means of communication between the people, and they are the means of commerce. They are the lifeblood of the nation, and they are the lifeblood of the world.

Suppose that same branch of the Department of Justice (as by turning in the stock of the telegraph and telephone companies) could be made a source of revenue, would it not be singular to turn over such a source of revenue to a private monopoly, leaving the people to support the non-productive part of the telegraph and telephone service?

It is to be observed that the question involved in the telegraph and telephone is not a question of revenue. It is a question of the right of the people to have the telegraph and telephone service operated in the most efficient manner possible. It is a question of the right of the people to have the telegraph and telephone service operated in the most efficient manner possible.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

The Cause of Reform Is Growing All the Time In Eastern North Carolina.

A CALL FROM COLORADO.

The Voters Are Looking at the Records of the Old Parties—The Results of Those Records—A Western County Is For Free Silver, and Will Get There.

Interesting Notes from Hearst's "Cause of Reform Growing."

For The Caucasian.

MINNOLA, N. C., Nov. 9.—The cause of reform is growing all the time. I have just returned from a trip through this and Pamlico counties. On the 9th inst. I left home en route to the County Alliance, which met at Aurora. We spoke for one hour about the necessity of the free coinage of silver, 16 to 1, and the abolition of national banks, and showed, we believe, to the satisfaction of all present, the utter impossibility of our ever securing the above reforms through the Democratic party. There were some present who a year ago were the most bitter Democratic partisans—men, a year ago, would not listen to a Populist speak. They paid the strictest attention to what we said.

We have made a noble effort, and after the speech, complimented it. We had made a noble effort, and after the speech, complimented it. We had made a noble effort, and after the speech, complimented it.

We spoke also in Pamlico county at Kershaw, to a crowded house of enthusiastic reformers, with a very small sprinkling of "because my daddy was a Democrat." One left before we closed because he could not stand sound doctrine. But this class is "few and far between."

We showed the record of the two old parties from 1873 up to the present, and all went home declaring that it was well for them to have heard what was said.

God bless you in your grand work for the masses. May you live long to wield the pen in the interest of humanity. THE CAUCASIAN is doing the work. All of us endorse what Dr. Thompson said at Cary. We see the truthfulness of his remarks every day of our lives.

Henry W. H. Kitchen and Senator Butler, one of the three to come to our county, and the people are anxious to hear them.

J. H. E. HODGES.

Do They Think The Voters Are Fools? For The Caucasian.

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YOUR PAPER is received in our county and read by all. The voters are looking at the past promises of the two old parties which have not been kept, and are at the check of the old gangs in waiting another "chance." Some Democrats say they are for free silver within party lines. Do they think the voters are fools? Do they think the voters are fools? Do they think the voters are fools?

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deemed" at a great loss to the people.

Fellow citizens! patriots! do you not want to see justice established? Don't you want to be free? You love your fair country. Do you want to see that state of things existing here, in which there are a few masters and many slaves? It has almost reached that point. Al ready the money power is preparing to rivet the last nail that binds us. Can you, oh! will you not see, in time to save yourselves? For the sake of our homes and little ones, for the sake of all that is dear to us in this life and all we hope for in the next, let us unite in one great effort and wrench ourselves from the power that binds us and be free once more.

Mrs. E. E. TAZOE.

BUTLER VS. SHERMAN.

Senator Butler's Plan For Reorganizing the Senate Warmly Approved.

By Proprietor. The Silverites Shall Align Themselves Among the Goldbugs—The Goldbugs Will Be Under the Leadership of J. H. Sherman.

Evening Dispatch, Wilmington, N. C.

We publish in today's issue an account of an interview had with Senator Marion Butler at Raleigh on the 24th inst., in reference to the organization of the United States senate in the interests of the silver people. Butler's position on this question is wise and timely. The contemplated action of the goldbugs in the organization of the senate must be met by counter action on the part of the silver advocates and thwarted if possible. If the free silver senators of all political parties, constituting a majority of the body, they live up to their professions, there is no just reason why they should not band themselves together and organize the silver people. If they do not do this they will prove recreant to their professions. If they divide up in party factions and fight for the sake of a few seats in the senate when by united action they can prevent it, they will show that they are no longer to be trusted. This is a serious matter. The prosperity and happiness of 70,000,000 of people are involved in the settlement of this financial question.

On one side of it is the gold standard, with its millions of paupers, tramps, deserted homes and abandoned farms, stagnated business, strikes, lockouts, ruin, crime, and misery. On the other side is the silver standard, with its millions of happy, contented, and prosperous people. It is a question of life and death to the people. It is a question of life and death to the people. It is a question of life and death to the people.

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that less than a half dozen men know of the trick till long afterwards.

We presume Cleveland's picture was ordered after he accomplished the great financial feat of selling mortgages on the American people at \$104, when they were quoted in the market at \$122.

Both are alike in one respect. While working for themselves they remained poor, but while working for the people they have accumulated millions.

THE LATE LANDSLIDE.

Democrats Repudiated Everywhere. The People Think Anything Else Better.

Some of the Results and Some Probabilities of the Upheaval—Reaction Is Roughly Reprinted—Strategies and Specimens Are No Longer Tolerated.

Special Washington Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—The ever-welcoming Democracy of the Democratic party in Tuesday's elections is only significant of the drift against false leadership and general Democratic mismanagement. National issues were discussed only in Ohio, where the Democratic party lost nearly 40,000 votes. The adoption of a gold platform, at Brice's dictation, by the Democratic State convention swelled the Republican majority to 15,000. The Democratic campaign was pitched on the low plane of demagoguery and defamation. The Republican majority is unprecedented. The immediate national result is the election of a Republican Senator.

Corrupting rule has at last compelled a Democratic revolution in every kind, class and description. The election of a Republican Governor and Legislature in that State is a great moral triumph. It is in no sense a Republican triumph, and it is not a Democratic defeat. It is a triumph for the people, and it is a defeat for the money power.

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The mightiest struggle the world has ever seen between the people and organized greed will be waged.

The issues at stake involve the future prosperity of our people and the preservation of our government. The election next year will determine who will manage our affairs in the nation, and in every State and county in the United States.

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THE POLK MONUMENT.

TO ALLIANCENEN AND FRIENDS OF COL. POLK:

The Polk monument is hardly half finished and the money we have collected has all been spent. We must not let the work stop here. Some Alliances have not contributed anything. They should do so. But at any rate let every Alliance and individual that has contributed send in another contribution of equal amount and this will raise sufficient money to complete the monument.

This monument should be finished without delay. We hope to have the unveiling ceremonies sometime next spring or summer.

Let every friend of Col. Polk go to work at once and raise as large a contribution as possible.

The amounts and the names of those who contribute will be published in THE CAUCASIAN as for merly. Address,

MARION BUTLER,
Raleigh, N. C.

NORTH CAROLINA FIRST IN GREAT MOVEMENTS.

Last year when the great people of North Carolina smashed the stinking stuffing out of the Democratic party, the remains of that party proved strong enough to create a considerable stench as an aftermath. The concentrated essence of all its foulness, for a short period, spread over the State, but the purifying windsoon swept it away, and as bad as it was, it has been forgotten.

It is difficult to remove or cure a chronic sore. But North Carolina probed it and disclosed the putridity that was mortifying the "Solid South." Now comes two other Southern States that lend a hand and it will be only a short while before the local political and economic systems of the Southern States will be rid of the demoralizing excrement that has fed upon them for years, and there will be indeed a "New South"—new in vigor—new in intelligence—new in progress—new in independence regained and new in manhood.

The fact that North Carolina was the first to break the "Solid South" recalls the interesting fact that she has been first in nearly every great movement in the history of the American people. Whenever the time came for revolution, either peaceful or sanguinary, the people of North Carolina have been the first to step forward and point the way out of surrounding troubles. Let's take a brief glance at the record.

Her people have always espoused the cause of the oppressed against the oppressor, of the weak against the strong. They were the first to elect a popular legislature in opposition to the policy of a royal governor and administration.

They were the first to send representatives to the Philadelphia Congress with instructions to initiate and concur in a movement for separation from monarchical rule, and to assume power to make foreign alliances.

They were the first to make a declaration of national independence of the British crown.

Her judiciary was the first to declare that a legislative body could and did transcend powers granted by the Constitution.

Her people were the first to demand, in the framing of the Constitution, the admission of the doctrine that "all powers not granted are reserved to the people," and to declare for an equal representation of two Senators from each State in the National Congress.

She was the first colony to secure and establish entire religious freedom.

Her people were the first to bring armed force to bear on British war vessels and force them to abandon an attempted execution of the stamp act.

In the struggle with the Red Men for possession of the country, the greatest Indian battle (prior to the defeat of Tecumseh) ever fought on the continent occurred in North Carolina. This was in 1772 and resulted in the death of more than five hundred Indians and complete possession by the white people.

She was among the first, it not the first State, to initiate measures providing for the care of its unfortunate insane.

In the great and sad struggle between the States she stood for Union to the last, and was the last to pass an ordinance of secession; but having done that she was first in supporting the cause, for one of her sons was the first sacrifice in that unfortunate and fratricidal war, and another one of her sons was the last victim of that strife. Out of a population of 115,000 she sent 125,000 men to the front. Having taken a stand, it was sustained by North Carolina people almost from the cradle to the grave. Her troops went further into the resistless lines of the brave men opposed to them at Gettysburg than the troops of any other Southern State, and in that awful maelstrom of destruction they left more devoted sons on the field of death than three other States combined. The last great battle of the war was fought near Raleigh. North Carolina troops made the last charge at Appomattox, and when their standards were lowered and their hopes crushed, they laid down their arms and surrendered like men.

Her colored people were the first to organize industrial associations, hold annual meetings and make exhibits of their produce and handicrafts.

The above is not a complete record of how North Carolina has been first in great movements, but it will suffice for our present purpose. In other matters it may be recalled that the first white colony planted in the New World was established on North Carolina soil.

The first white child born on the American continent was born in this State.

She has no blanks in the census. Every product of which the census takes note is reported from this State. It is the only state and only division of territory where the ascent from the mid waves of the ocean to the tops of mountains—a mile and a quarter above the sea—produces the same effects as are wrought elsewhere by advance from the semi-tropical airs of the South to the cold regions of the North.

She enjoys more largely than any other State man's heritage from the sea, for its fisheries are the most extensive and the most complete in the world, capturing all the wealth of the waters from the shrimp to the whale.

She was the first Southern State to establish an Agricultural Experiment Station, and this station was the second one in America.

What a distinguished record is this! What man born on her soil does not feel like joining in that grand, patriotic song of Judge Gannett:

Carolina! Carolina! Heaven's blessings attend her!
While we live we will cherish, protect and defend her!

Though the scorching sun sneer at and wither the face of her,
Our hearts swell with gladness whenever we name her!

Though she envies not others their merited glory,
Say, whose name stands foremost in Liberty's story!

Though too true to herself e'er to crouch to oppression,
None can yield to just rule a more loyal submission.

But the record is not yet ended. For over twenty years she adhered to a policy, which for that length of time, was necessary for the preservation of her integrity and the honor of her sisters. But the time came for a repudiation of that policy. Did she hesitate? Not much! She knew that policy had become effete—that it threatened her bright and glorious record—that it had begun to harbor racialism, treachery and corruption, and true to the spirit of her almost absolutely pure native born population, she discarded old systems—she took the first step toward breaking up the old methods and traditions of the no longer useful "Solid South." She repudiated, without apology, a rotten political party and invited her sisters to follow her along new lines which would ensure a greater progress and lead to a broader patriotism. Two of her sisters—Maryland and Kentucky accepted the invitation at the first

opportunity, and the "Solid South" is a thing of the irreparable past.

When the sturdy sons of the Old North State met in Mecklenburg and promulgated the first "Declaration of Independence," their action was fiercely denounced, not only by the Lords and Dukes and things of King George, but also by a horde of cowards in their own country. Every conceivable epithet of a vile character was hurled at them by the minions of the crown, but the storm of denunciation deterred them not. They backed up their declaration with their lives, their fortunes and their most sacred honor, and there are none at this day but who sing their praises.

When the people of the State, in 1894 repudiated the rottenness existing in what assumed to be the Democratic party, they were ferociously set upon by an infernal horde of Democratic minions who seemed to have evoked and enlisted the services of the devil himself in framing malevolent denunciations, vile epithets and slanderous lies. This horde actually sought, with all the power which the combined forces of evil could give them, to make the world think that the people of North Carolina—the people who made the record above given—were a set of thugs and thieves. But the people officially represented by the legislature, simply branded the horde as a set of collective calumniators and liars, and even at this early day the world knows that the brand thus put upon them was richly merited.

Whenever the time shall again come for a great movement, North Carolina may be depended upon to take the lead.

BEYOND SAYING THAT THE RESULT OF THE ELECTIONS HELD LAST WEEK WAS A STINGING REBUKE TO THE DOUBLEDAYED, AND CORRUPT DEMOCRACY OF THE COUNTRY, THE CAUCASIAN CANNOT GIVE A REASON WHY EVERYTHING NEARLY WENT REPUBLICAN.

Elections were held in fifteen States. In Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, New Jersey, Mississippi, Massachusetts and Iowa the people voted for governors and legislators. In Pennsylvania, New York, Kansas, Nebraska, Virginia, Illinois, Colorado and Utah elections were held for minor State officers and county officers.

Accurate official returns are not at hand, but in round numbers the general result is about as follows:

In Kentucky Bradley, (Rep.) is elected governor by 15,000 majority.

In Maryland Lowndes, (Rep.) is elected governor by 15,000 majority.

In Massachusetts Greenhalge, (Rep.) is elected governor by 70,000 majority.

In Iowa Drake, (Rep.) is elected governor by 75,000 majority.

In Ohio Bashnell, (Rep.) is elected governor by 100,000 majority.

In New Jersey McGill, (Rep.) is elected governor by 20,000 majority.

New York goes Republican by over 90,000 majority. Pennsylvania goes Republican by 165,000 majority.

Mississippi and Virginia are the only two states where the Democrats made any sort of a show. In Mississippi McLaurin, (Dem.) was elected governor by about 30,000 majority.

The election in Virginia was a roaring farce. This can be illustrated by the fact that in the city of Richmond where there are 16,000 voters, only 4,000 voted. Not one-third of the vote of the state was polled. If the full vote had come out, that state too would have left the Democratic column. As it was the Democrats lost several districts.

Among the results of these elections will be the retirement of Democratic U. S. Senators in Ohio, Maryland and probably in Kentucky. Brierly will be defeated in Ohio, Gibson in Maryland, and Republican Senators will take their places. In Kentucky the legislature is a tie between the Democrats and the Republicans and two Populists hold the balance of power. What may happen there is therefore uncertain.

Utah will elect two Senators for the first time, and it is probable that they will be Republicans.

We cannot give any accurate information concerning the Populist vote. The means of communication (except mail) are in the hands of the old party minions and they always make it a point to say nothing about the Populists, unless it is to say the Populist party is dying. We shall therefore have to wait till the returns are officially canvassed and announced before we can give information. On the whole it is certain that the Populists have made considerable gains.

Some Democrats and Democratic papers are actually claiming that these elections are an endorsement of Grover Cleveland. Well, if that is so, then the people will know that the policy of Cleveland is just exactly the same as that of the Republican party. As a matter of fact the platforms of both parties in all the States (except Mississippi) were practically the same on the money question, and if the platforms had been guides of the voters they could have voted for one crowd as well as another and voted for the same thing. But in our opinion the people who voted were determined to give that old combination

of Beef, Belly and Brass in the white house and his crowd a slap in the face, and chose their own method of doing it.

When the majority of people in such heretofore strong Democratic States as Maryland and Kentucky vote the Republicans in by overwhelming majorities, it shows that they are desperately anxious to have a change, and they would not have this anxiety if they were not thoroughly disgusted with the crowd they had previously put in office.

We believe this is the secret of the whole thing. The people are getting tired of Brierism, Gormanism, Carlisleism, Clevelandism and all other "cussed" Democratic "isms" and took the first chance they had to show it; and the fact that they voted for something like Shermanism is the strongest evidence that they wanted to show their disgust for Democracy mightily bad.

The best and most encouraging feature of the whole business is that the voters, especially in the Southern States have become thoroughly independent and don't care a cent about what the Democratic papers and leaders say about them. This is a grand step forward. The next step will be a study of the issues before the people, and when the voters do this, the principles of the People's party will win just as sure as the sun shines.

THE MEANING OF LAST WEEK'S ELECTIONS.

The result of last week's elections is a surprise only to those who persist in being blind.

The Democratic party came into power nearly three years ago. It was pledged to curb monopolies, abolish trusts and to undo the crime of 1873, and "restore the dollar of our daddies." On these pledges the people by a large majority put the Democratic party in power.

It has not kept a single one of these pledges. It has done even worse than the Republican party. It has trampled upon the constitution and betrayed the people in every respect.

In serving trusts, monopolies and the money power, it has out-Heroded Herod.

The elections were not an endorsement of the policies of the Republican party. Those who oppose those policies are those who have put that party in power. They have taken this means of rebuking the incompetency and base treachery of the party that they had trusted to reform Republican abuses.

The Democratic defeat in Maryland and the increased Republican majority in Ohio has a special and an additional significance. The people desired to condemn Gorman and Brier as corporation servers and political bosses. The cry was down with the bosses.

In New Jersey the Democratic party had gotten very corrupt in State affairs and the Senators from that State were, like Ransom, mixed up with the sugar trust scandal. This increased the size of the political flop there.

The election in Kentucky has special significance. Hardin the Democratic candidate for Governor tried to stand on a gold platform and claim to be a supporter of free silver. The people were fooled in 1892 by the double-faced Chicago platform. The American people will not stand straddling or double dealing about so vitally an important matter concerning their general welfare and prosperity as the financial question. Hardin would have been defeated worse than he was had it not been for the popularity of Senator Blackburn. If Senator Blackburn had boldly championed the cause of the People's party which represented his position on the money question, Pettit would have been elected Governor and Blackburn would surely have been re-elected.

The blind idolatry of party worship is being rapidly shattered. The people are jumping from one old monopoly ridden party to the other seeking relief. They will soon be forced to concentrate into the People's party and then, and not till then, will the gold power be crushed and our government be restored to the people.

THE LEASE OF THE N. C. R. R.

Several of the Democratic papers in the State took the same position that THE CAUCASIAN did about the lease of the North Carolina Railroad. Some of them went so far as to say that it was a crime.

We feel sure that the lease was not only very precipitate and unwise, but also against the interests of the State. We hope that those Democratic papers will not so soon give up the fight, but that they will help THE CAUCASIAN to try to correct the wrong.

In the next issue of THE CAUCASIAN we will publish a strong article which will be carefully prepared by the very ablest legal talent in the State, showing that the lease was not only wrong, but that it was unlawful. The article will also set forth in a very striking light the rights of the State, the rights of the railroads in general and the rights of the Southern railroad in particular.

THE CAUCASIAN believes in fair play and honest dealings. We will

not be silent if railroads are oppressed and dealt unfairly with, nor will we be silent when the interests of the State are sacrificed by those who should guard and protect them.

We hope that the committee appointed by the State Alliance will proceed in this matter.

The wrong can be righted; it certainly should be done.

JUDGE CLARK ON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE.

Judge Clark's article on the government ownership of telegraph and telephone systems, recently printed in THE CAUCASIAN, has been copied and commented upon by papers of all political creeds from Maine to California. We print elsewhere an editorial from a San Francisco paper. This is a policy that the whole people will surely demand sooner or later. If it were in force now, the weekly papers all over the country could afford to get and give the latest news. Since the government took charge of the telegraph in England all the newspapers get telegraphic service at one-sixth of what it formerly cost, and all the weekly papers publish the latest telegraphic news. In this country the larger papers are mostly owned and controlled by the men who own the telegraph. These papers have a practical monopoly of the service. They can telegraph just what they please, and when they want to they can suppress news of vast importance to the public. But the change must come. Those people who are fighting for the proper management and operation of those things may sometimes think that slow progress is being made toward victory; but signs of breaking light are appearing everywhere. Information is increasing daily. Investigation and intelligence are supplanting prejudice and ignorance, and this means that the change must come.

WE TELL, WE DARE YOU TO TELL.

There is a great interest in certain quarters to hear the news from Kentucky. If the Democrats had carried that state, every Democratic state convention held next year would have been a straddling dodge, and undertaken to have ridden two horses at the same time while the horses were going in different directions.

The estimated apple crop of the country this year is 66,256,000 barrels, an increase of more than 8,000,000 over last year's crop. This will give about a barrel to every man, woman and child in America, and if they could all share it would add much to the health and cheerfulness of the population.

The penitentiary case was heard by Judge Coble in Wake Superior court last week. The Judge decided that the directors named by the last legislature were not legally elected and could not sit and act as directors. The matter will probably be heard by the Supreme court.

Mississippi Democratic! Poor thing. She is way behind the march of progress and enlightenment. Two little girls were talking about their catechism lessons. One said she had not to "original sin." The other said I am past "redemption." So is Mississippi.

And the Demys are declaring that the Demys will be found doing business "at the old stand" in 1896. If they can do any business at all it will doubtless be of the same shoddy character as for the last three years; but where in the dickens is the old stand?

The chairman of the Ohio Democratic Committee says: "The hard times were too fresh in the minds of the people to be forgotten, and this led to our defeat." There we have the real cause, very accurately summed up.—Item.

The president has issued his proclamation naming Thursday, November 28th, as Thanksgiving Day, and enjoins upon all to return thanks on that day to the great God who has given us the good things of life.

Broken pledges and straddling platforms don't seem to meet the approval of the American people. The biggest of the United States is the fellow who thinks that the people can be continually fooled.

We notice that some leading Democratic and Democratic papers are declaring that the late landslide killed the "free silver craze," but they fail to announce the date of the Democratic funeral.

The Democrats will probably withdraw their invitations to voters to "come in" on account of the cold manner and want of appreciation with which such invitations are received.

It appears that the assumption of exclusive respectability on the part of a certain gang calling itself Democracy will hereafter be maintained under the protest of the people.

It doesn't look too well, but there is some pretty strong evidence that the people are of the opinion that even so a certain gang calling itself Democracy will hereafter be maintained under the protest of the people.

Said you ever hear anything about the "pauper labor of Europe?" European countries are gold standard countries. You old fool, you, can you say anything in this?

It certainly begins to look as though the people are learning that anything but the "free silver" policy is better than the Democratic party.

The time is at hand for some darn fool to step forward and announce that the People's Party is dying.

The last little cog in the Douglas machine seems to be busted.

The "mossbacks" must go; the people say so.

Just Look! John Sherman made a speech at Massillon, Ohio, on the 19th, in which he endorsed Cleveland. Here is a small part of the speech: "I have, with the great body of Republicans, approved the action of President Cleveland and his cabinet in the opposition to the free coinage of silver, and their firm maintenance of gold and silver coin at par with each other. The president has always been sound and consistent on this policy."

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